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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — 8167th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

Launch of the *Digital Journal of the United Nations*

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

13:15 to 14:30 — Conference Room 6

Briefing (closed) for new delegates of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations by the Chair of the Working Group of the Whole of the Special Committee

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

15:00 to 18:00 — 327th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Programme of work of the Committee

Presentation of the suggested list of 2018 country visits

Presentation of the suggested list of regional and thematic briefings

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission for Social Development

Fifty-sixth session

10:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 6

Priority theme: strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

On the draft resolution entitled "Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all"

Convened by the Chair

15:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 12

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

On the draft resolution entitled "Third review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002"

Convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Yao Shaojun (China)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

10:00 to 13:00 — 7th plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

UNFPA Segment

Statement by the Executive Director

UNFPA Strategic Plan, 2018-2021, Baselines and targets

15:00 to 18:00 — 8th plenary meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Statement by the Executive Director (continued)

Country programmes and related matters

Presentation and approval of country programme documents

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 26 January 2018

15:00 — 77th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Sport for development and peace: building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal: Solemn appeal by the President of the General Assembly (A/72/700) [item 11]

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (A/72/L.31) [item 66 (b)]

Monday, 29 January 2018

15:00 — Conference Room 3

Briefing by the Co-Chairs of the multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals, convened by the President of the General Assembly pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/208

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 22 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 1 and Friday, 2 February 2018

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

An informal meeting (closed) of the plenary on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org; 212-963-5307).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Friday, 26 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Friday, 26 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Informal briefing (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations by the Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

Informal briefing to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations by the Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

15:00 Conference Room 2

Conduct and Discipline including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse; and Mine action

Monday, 12 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to

come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee" (A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/72/573, A/72/573/Add.1 and A/AC.121/2018/L.2 (to be issued)).

Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee (Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria), and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat of the Committee.

Delegations are urged to register through the e-deleGATE Portal, if they wish to be inscribed on the list of speakers.

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed 10 minutes, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed 20 minutes.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *two hours* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal. Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the Committee's website. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact the secretariat of the Committee.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

Burundi configuration

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 to13:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 1st plenary meeting Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its eleventh session (PBC/11/OC/L.1 and PBC/11/OC/1 (to be issued))

Election of officers

Workplan of the Peacebuilding Commission

Other matters

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Tuesday, 20 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 2018 session from 20 February 2018 to 28 February 2018.

The provisional agenda for the session is available on the website of the Special Committee (A/AC.182/L.147).

Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on 20 February 2018, is open.

Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Thursday, 22 February 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat of the Special Committee the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2018. States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2018 session of the Special Committee should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro, soomroi@un.org; Mr. Dino Del Vasto, del-vasto@un.org; Mr. Martin Vrastiak, vrastiak@un.org; and Mr. Tomas Casas, casast@un.org) (A/AC.109/2018/L.1 and A/AC.109/2018/L.2).

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

Thursday, 1 February 2018

11:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan

Friday, 2 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00	9th meeting (closed) Adoption of the agenda Meeting with the Sudan and regional States Other matters	Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Tuesday, 30 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Youth forum	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 17:00	Youth forum breakout session	Trusteeship Council Chamber
17:00 to 18:00	Youth forum	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

10:00 to 11:30	Youth forum breakout session	Trusteeship Council Chamber
11:30 to 13:00	Youth forum	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Youth forum	Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its youth forum on the theme "The role of youth in building sustainable and resilient urban and rural communities".

In view of the interactive nature of this event, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements.

In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *3 minutes* (5 minutes for groups).

All are invited to attend.

Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the secretariat of the Council of their prospective participation in the forum no later than 13:00, on 26 January 2018, to be pre-assigned a seat in the meeting room (pricec@un.org and simonp@un.org).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers, only those who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat by 26 January 2018, will have reserved seats in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Youth Forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept notes, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council (*click here*); or by contacting the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (simonp@un.org).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2018 regular session

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00	1st meeting	Conference Room 1
	Election of officers [item 1]	
	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/C.2/2018/1) [item 2]	
	Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat [item 5]	
	General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network [item 8]	
	Consideration of special reports [item 7]	
	New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]	
15:00 to 18:00	2nd meeting	Conference Room 1
	New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]	

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail lomaia@un.org with a copy to leu@un.org).

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

Friday 26 January 2018

15:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

On the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development"

Convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Bruno Rios (Mexico)

Monday, 29 January, to Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2018/1. For further information on the fifty-sixth and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, which is available.

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who registered the composition of their delegations in the e-deleGATE portal, *by Wednesday 24 January 2018*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

General discussion under agenda item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) and item 3 b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Monday, 29 January 2018.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the joint general discussion on sub-items 3 (a) and 3 (b) should be sent through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*).

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the *list of speakers* are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *twelve minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that *PaperSmart* services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-sixth session of the Commission. The *statements* will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations. For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 24 January 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8165th meeting

The situation in Somalia

Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia (S/2017/1109)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the following briefers to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Michael Keating, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Somalia and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia; and Mr. Francisco Caetano Jose Madeira, Special Representative of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission for Somalia and Head of the African Union Mission in Somalia.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Keating and Mr. Madeira (Mr. Madeira participated by video-teleconference from Addis Ababa).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Peru.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Somalia.

8166th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; His Excellency Festus Mogae, Chairperson of the Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission and Ms. Ursula Mueller, Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Lacroix, Mr. Festus Mogae (via video-teleconference from Juba) and Ms. Mueller.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Ethiopia, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Peru, the United Kingdom, Sweden, the Netherlands, China, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, France, Equatorial Guinea, Kuwait and the Russian Federation; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Kazakhstan.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English and French only*.

Other meetings

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Thursday, 25 January 2018

Orientation Course on the Economic and Social Council for new members of the Council and Delegates (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA))

09:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicholas Mirabile, UNITAR New York Office (nicholas.mirabile@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; 212-963-4611; or *click here*); to register please *click here*.

International expert group meeting on the theme "Sustainable development in territories of indigenous peoples: article 4 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Broddi Sigurdarson (sigurdarson@un.org; 917-367-2106).

Lecture entitled "Jasenovac concentration and extermination camp" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Serbia)

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sandra Pejic (sandra0807@gmail.com).

Briefing entitled "Diversity and Lessons to be Learned for Human Understanding" (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust) (organized by NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section and the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information)

11:00 to 12:30 [webcast] Conference Room 4

All are invited. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (undpingo@un.org).

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link below
www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Forthcoming informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

Thursday, 1 February 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

Forthcoming other meetings

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Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 29 January 2018

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 29 January 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

United Nations Holocaust Memorial Ceremony on the theme "Holocaust Remembrance and Education: Our Shared Responsibility" in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust (organized by the Department of Public Information)

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

11:00 to 13:00 General Assembly Hall

All are invited. To register, please *click here*.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Round table discussion "The Way Forward of the United Nations Development System on Middle-Income Countries" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus and Costa Rica)

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] . Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Tamara Kharashun, Permanent Mission of Belarus (tamara.kharashun@gmail.com; tel. 212-772-2354) and Mr. Diego Padilla, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail dpadilla@misioncronu.org, tel. 212-986-6373).

Development Policy Seminar on "Understanding Bitcoin, Blockchains and the Crypto Economy" (organized by the Development Strategy and Policy Analysis Unit, Development Policy and Analysis Division (DPAD), Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 1 February 2018

14:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information please contact Mr. Gerard Reyes (reyes1@un.org; 212-963-1487).

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Material related to informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions, other meetings and side events should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 212-963-3888 and 963-0493; *Secretariat Building, 12th Floor, 01-C*). The *deadline* for submissions is 18:00, at least *two days in advance*.

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